

Crystal Data: Monoclinic. *Point Group:* 2/m. As prismatic crystals to 2 mm.

Physical Properties: *Cleavage:* Perfect on {110}. *Fracture:* Splintery. *Tenacity:* Brittle. Hardness = 5 D(meas.) = 2.69(2) D(calc.) = 2.713

Optical Properties: Transparent. *Color:* Colorless. *Streak:* White. *Luster:* Vitreous. *Optical Class:* Biaxial (+). $\alpha = 1.563(2)$ $\beta = 1.565(2)$ $\gamma = 1.577(2)$ $2V(\text{meas.}) = 42(3)^\circ$ $2V(\text{calc.}) = 45^\circ$ *Dispersion:* Strong; $r > v$.

Cell Data: Space Group: C2/m. $a = 14.5975(4)$ $b = 14.1100(4)$ $c = 14.4394(4)$ $\beta = 90.0399(4)^\circ$ $Z = 8$

X-ray Powder Pattern: Darai-Pioz glacier, Tien-Shan Mountains, Tajikistan. 7.05 (100), 3.24 (96), 3.10 (69), 5.13 (53), 6.51 (42), 3.17 (34), 2.941 (27)

Chemistry:	(1)
Nb ₂ O ₅	0.39
SiO ₂	58.84
ZrO ₂	16.55
HfO ₂	0.30
FeO	0.01
Y ₂ O ₃	3.05
Cs ₂ O	2.58
K ₂ O	0.95
Na ₂ O	8.91
<u>H₂O</u>	<u>[7.40]</u>
Total	98.98

(1) Darai-Pioz glacier, Tien-Shan Mountains, Tajikistan; average of 10 electron microprobe analyses supplemented by FTIR spectroscopy, H₂O calculated from structure; corresponding to (Na_{1.76}K_{0.12}Cs_{0.11}) $\Sigma=1.99$ (Zr_{0.82}Y_{0.17}Nb_{0.02}Hf_{0.01}) $\Sigma=1.02$ (Si_{6.01}O_{14.98})(H₂O)_{2.52}.

Polymorphism & Series: Dimorph of elpidite.

Occurrence: In glacial moraine derived from an alkaline igneous complex.

Association: Reedmergnerite, quartz, pectolite, zeravshanite, mendeleevite-(Ce), fluorite, leucosphenite, a pyrochlore-group mineral, neptunite, telyushenkoite, moskvinite-(Y), shibkovite.

Distribution: From the Darai-Pioz glacier, upper reaches of the Darai-Pioz River, Alaisky mountain ridge, Tien-Shan Mountains, Tajikistan.

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